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THE TROUBLE IS OVER.

The Philippine Insurgents This Morning Evacuated the Entrenchments About Manila.

Went Away Cheering the Americans—The Predicted Clash With Aguinaldo Will Not Occur.

Manila, Sept. 14.—The insurgents this morning evacuated the entrenchments in the suburbs of the city. The insurgents withdrew one company yesterday. As they retired they shouted "Viva Americanos" and "Viva Filipinos." Not a shot was fired or an unkind word spoken. This ends the threatened trouble with the insurgents.

POLICE COURT.

Several Branches of the Peace Were Tried This Morning.

Pomp Edwards Was Fined \$20 and Costs—Other Cases.

Pomp Edwards, colored, was tried this morning for assaulting Isaac Titworth, colored. It seems that Titworth was in a buggy that collided with Edwards when he was riding his bicycle, and he blamed Titworth for it. Edwards was fined \$20 and costs.

Isaac Blakeley, for assaulting Henry Hale with a knife, was fined \$10 and costs. He said he was drinking and meant no harm. He stated in substantiation of his claim that he did not mean to cut Hale, the fact that he never had cut anyone in all his life.

John Hamilton, for a breach of the peace with his wife, was fined \$5 and costs and recognized for his good behavior.

Will Harris, for assaulting Will Porter, both colored, was fined \$10 and costs. When his sister was introduced as a witness against him, Harris arose and objected to her being introduced, which evoked a smile from the lawyers present. The sister testified. There is also a warrant against Porter, but he has not been arrested.

DIDN'T PAY LICENSE.

Judge Sanders this morning issued warrants against a dozen or more merchants and other delinquents in the matter of paying license. The cases will come up in the police court as soon as the warrants are executed.

Go to Lagomarsino's for a nice large ice cold beer.

OUR PRICES THIS WEEK ARE STUNNERS!

Our 1-quart tin buckets are going at 2c.
Our 2-quart tin buckets are going at 3c.
Our 3-quart tin buckets are going at 4c.
Our 4-quart tin buckets are going at 5c.
Table spoons that were 50c set go at 25c set.
Tea spoons that were 25c set go at 10c set.
German silver table spoons that were \$1.20 set go at 80c set.

MORE RIOTS IN AUSTRIA.

Anti-Italian Demonstrations Are Continued All Over the Empire—Rioters Are Being Arrested.

The European Powers Are United in an Effort to Stamp Out Anarchy—The Funeral Train Leaves Geneva.

Vienna, Sept. 14.—The anti-Italian demonstrations are continuing all over Austria and hundreds of riots have been averted. The people are being wrought up to a frenzy of rage.

Anarchists continue to make threats of what they will do. The European powers will unite in most stringent measures to stamp out anarchy.

THE FUNERAL TRAIN.

Geneva, Sept. 14.—The funeral train bearing the body of the late Emperor of Austria has started for Vienna. It was the largest funeral cortege ever seen here.

THAT INVESTIGATION

May Be Abandoned by the President—He Cannot Get the Men He Wants.

Washington, Sept. 14.—It is believed that the president will abandon the proposed investigation of the conduct of the war department, because he is unable to secure the men he wants to serve on the commission.

DR. CREEL

Wins the Republican Nomination in the Fourth District.

Col. W. Fred Long Was His Only Opponent and Withdrew From the Race.

Russellville, Ky., Sept. 14.—Dr. Creel was today nominated by the republicans of this, the Fourth district, for congress by acclamation. W. Fred Long his only opponent withdrew.

Dr. Creel's chances of election are considered good. Both populist and democratic candidates are already nominated.

SOLDIER FOUND DYING.

Lexington, Ky., Sept. 14.—A soldier of the Fourth Kentucky regiment was found dying in a vacant lot in this city this morning. His assailant is not known.

ATTEMPTED RAPE.

Deputy Sheriff Gus Rogers Arrests Will Harris, Colored.

Will Harris, colored, was arrested in Fisherville this morning by Deputy Sheriff Gus Rogers on a charge of attempted rape.

The warrant was sworn out before County Judge Tully last night by a colored man named Dance, who lives near Grahamsville. He alleges that Harris left the city last Saturday on a bicycle and went to his home in the country, where he attempted to ravish his 15-year-old daughter, Emma Dance.

Harris was taken to the county jail and incarcerated, and the papers were at once turned over to the grand jury.

CONTRACT FOR PEWS.

A contract was today let by the First Baptist church to a Grand Rapids, Mich., company to furnish pews for the church, which is being remodeled. The bid was \$1,100 per lineal foot, and the contract is for about \$560.

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B. B. DAVIS' STATEMENT.

His Report to the Board of Education Relative to the Alleged Crack in the Foundation Wall.

A Vigorous Presentation of a Matter That Is of the Utmost Concern to the Public—Expert Testimony Refused.

The following is the report in full of Architect B. B. Davis, which was read last night at the council meeting, but was not acted upon in any way.

Mr. Davis asked permission to introduce expert testimony in reference to the condition of the foundation, but the request was not granted. Had the request been granted, Mr. Davis would have introduced such well known experts as Capt. Postlewaite, the city engineer, Capt. Wm. Augustus and Mr. Richard Holland, all of whom have examined the foundation critically and who have been unable to find any evidence at all of a crack and that too in spite of the fact that water had stood about the foundation, several feet deep and for several months.

The following is Mr. Davis' report: Mr. President and Gentlemen: From the Paducah papers I learn there are some so-called defects in the construction of your new school building, and I think I detect an effort to shift the responsibility upon me, and you have appointed a committee to look into these so-called defects. Their report I have examined, and from it I will, with your permission, discuss this question.

The report says the southeast corner of the building has no foundation from top to bottom. This statement is absolutely inconsistent, for if that corner had no foundation, no part of the building would have it, as that corner rests on the same strata of earth and size footings as the rest. As to the crack from top to bottom, I have sought, (unlike your board, however,) in justice to you, to find said crack, but after a close and critical examination, I am unable to do so, but do find near the top of the stone work a slight shrinkage of the mortar. This could not have been the result of settling or fault of the plans, for if it had resulted from these causes, the crack would have extended to the brick work on the inside, which is intact, and not changed in the slightest.

It is absolutely impossible to place gun joint exposed to the weather for three or four months without there being a noticeable warp in them, and this objection and complaint is one that may be made in the case of every building ever constructed in Paducah.

Regarding the flues, permit me to say that, with characteristic indifference, your superintendent, true to his promise to ruin me and run me out of Paducah, has proceeded to construct these flues without the correct plans, knowing full well that the working plans did not contain an accurate measurement of the flues, as is plainly noted on said working plan. The plans for the flues are in my possession, and have never been called for, either by your board or your superintendent.

An architect being a designer of buildings and looking to their beauty and stability for his reputation and success, has a pardonable pride in seeing work which he has designed, executed in the best possible manner, and it is customary for individuals who desire a good, safe, substantial building, to consult the architect in the selection of a superintendent. But your honorable board have no need, doubtless, of any precaution, but elected a superintendent regardless of his qualifications, or his feelings toward the architect whom he has in his power to injure. (The said superintendent also furnishing material for said building upon which he will be compelled to pass.) I discover from marks on the walls that in places water was permitted to stand for weeks from six inches to four feet deep. It does not take an experienced builder to know that the state of affairs is exceedingly injurious to any building; neither is it the duty of an architect to see that these conditions are avoided. However, they should be remedied at once. I have designed and superintended many important structures throughout the country, some of them larger and more expensive than this, and no fault has ever been found with either their plans or construction, though some of them have been standing for fifteen years. But in all instances I have been granted the privilege of consultation, and have had my suggestions accorded some attention, but in this instance, this privilege was denied me, and a man elected who was an unsuccessful bidder, and who is opposed to me to the extent of threatening to ruin me and run me out of Paducah. If your board had followed all precedence and accorded me the right of a consultation, doubtless the opportunity to vent a personal spite would not have fallen on the citizens of Paducah, and you would have been relieved hereafter of the troublesome and laborious explanations you no

doubt will be required to make, if you persist in your present course. Many astounding actions and reports have reached me since my arrival here, but for sake of public decency, I refrain from any mention of them, desiring only to protect my own interests and see that I do not receive the condemnation for what, if constructed under the present existing state of affairs, will be an unsightly pile, and a source of regret to your citizens, rather than a building of stability and beauty, as was intended to be and as I have attempted to make it.

I am prepared to show by experts that this building is not defective, and it is unnecessary to go to the enormous expense of \$557 to repair a defect that does not exist. That the plans provide for a good substantial structure is beyond dispute, and if constructed according to them with proper superintendence, your people will have no cause to complain of my work, and I protest on behalf of the tax-paying citizens of Paducah against any arrangement tending to prevent the carrying out of the plan to the letter.

I located in your city with a view of making it my permanent home, and it is not to be presumed that I would carelessly neglect a piece of work which, if completed as I designed it, would stand as a monument to my ability. I sacrificed my business and left behind a devoted family to answer my country's call, and do not intend that my absence shall be taken advantage of to relieve someone of the blunders of his ignorance has thrown them in.

In conclusion, I leave the public to judge and invite their inspection of these so-called defects, knowing full well I have nothing to fear, knowing I have done my duty to them, but in so doing have incurred the enmity of some who are willing to descend to any level to shield themselves and injure others. Respectfully, B. B. DAVIS.

EUROPEAN SITUATION.

London, Sept. 14.—Instead of the century closing in universal peace, with the nations joining with the earth's propensities for disarmament, Europe has not been for years so close to the verge of general disaster. War, discord, death and crime seem to have suddenly burst forth in all parts of the globe. The assassination of the emperor of Austria is liable to have a far-reaching effect, while the situations in Crete and Africa have assumed such critical aspects today that all manner of gloomy predictions are made.

Taking up Austria's case first, the old Emperor Franz Joseph is a broken-down man. His son was murdered in a criminal intrigue; his country is fast going to pieces; and now his wife, a charming, lovely woman, is assassinated without reason. Several times the Emperor has been on the point of abdicating, and this last blow may be his end.

It has been said for years that he would be the last emperor of the Austro-Hungarian empire, for at his death or retirement the federation would surely dissolve. What international complications such dismemberment might cause no one can foretell.

It would undoubtedly, sooner or later, bring bloody strife between two or more greedy and avaricious powers as well as internal discord between the various small countries forming the empire who have never affiliated or welded their interests in common.

Little Crete nearly involved Europe in hostilities last year, and now again is burning like an incendiary's torch. Yesterday the admirals of the powers sent an ultimatum to the Turkish governor, giving him but a few hours for the disarmament of everybody on the island, including even the Turkish regulars. What may result from this is beyond even the most diplomatic guessing. It is simply a case of hoping for the best and fearing the worst. The most serious situation has suddenly developed in Africa, where the British and Egyptian troops have won such a tremendous victory over the Derwishes. Even while full details of the battle are not yet in, comes news of a more critical outlook than before the fall of Omdurman. It is nothing less than the possibility of a conflict between England and France in the heart of Africa. The war correspondents had just time to wire that news had reached Khartoum, of the presence of Major Marchand, of the French army, with 10,000 troops at Fashoda, when Gen. Kitchener ordered every correspondent back to Cairo immediately. Some begged to be allowed to plunge into Central Africa for their own risk, and others tried in every way to obtain permission to remain in some connection or arrange a means of communication, but the Sirdar was obdurate. All correspondents were herded together on a steamer and started back to Cairo. What happens in Central Africa for the next two or three weeks will be unknown save for such information as the Sirdar chooses to send the British government. The situation is exactly the same as in America at the time of the French and Indian war. England seeks to extend a chain of posts and colonies north and south through the entire length of Africa, from Cairo to Cape Town. France is extending her lines east and west across Africa from the Congo to the east coast, just as she tried to close in on the English posts in America 150 years ago. Warnings have already been exchanged between the two governments, and it looks now as if the victorious Sirdar intended to advance beyond Khartoum and wipe

LAST NIGHT'S TRAGEDY.

Mr. Rufe Veal Under Arrest for a Grave Charge—Shot Two Men, James H. Grief and Preston Schotta—Grief Dead.

Veal Is Alleged to Have Shot in Self Defense—Gave Himself Up and Was Released—Afterwards Re-Surrendered.

James H. Grief and Preston Schotta were shot in Sherrell's saloon this morning about 1:30 o'clock by Rufe Veal, the well-known tobacco man, and the wounds of both may result fatally.

The shooting occurred as a sequel to a previous difficulty, which the two young men who were shot assaulted Veal near Peter's saloon, near Third street and Broadway, and it seems from the statements of eye witnesses that Mr. Veal was justifiable.

The first trouble between the young men occurred over a bill for repairs on a buggy. Mr. Veal claimed that they had used it after repairing it, instead of sending in the bill for the work. Mr. Veal claims that Grief struck him twice and knocked his hat off, and caused him to lose his pistol. He left them and went to the city hall, and requested Chief Hoyer to arrest them, but as the officer had no warrant, he told Mr. Veal he would first have to get a warrant. The hat and pistol were subsequently found and restored to Mr. Veal.

He next saw the men in Sherrell's saloon. They went there about midnight, or thereabout, and called him out. He went away and left them, desiring to avoid trouble, he said.

It was about 1:30 that they returned and Grief, according to eye witnesses, had an open knife. Veal ran behind the bar, to keep them from reaching him, and one seized a cracker bowl and the other a stool. Mr. Ed Pearson, the bartender, started around to put them out, and while going, the shooting occurred. Mr. Veal was standing behind the bar near the refrigerator opposite the partition which separates the saloon from the restaurant, and shot twice. Grief fell, but Schotta ran. Mr. Veal soon disappeared, and could not be found.

Grief was shot under the left nipple, and the ball ranged downward, inflicting a wound that the doctor pronounced probably fatal. He was taken home an hour or two later, after Drs. Robertson and Stewart had dressed the wounds. He was conscious most of the time.

Schotta was shot through the right arm, the ball entering the lung. Both suffered from internal hemorrhages. Schotta went back to the saloon after his wounds were dressed, and still wanted to fight. He said he wanted to ascertain whether or not Grief was dead.

This morning Veal surrendered to Officer Fayette Jones at Fourth and Broadway, and was taken to the city hall. He made a statement in substance the same as the above, so far as he went, but was advised not to conclude until he could consult with his attorney.

Drs. Robertson and Stewart performed an operation on Grief this morning, with a hope of saving his life, and gave it as their opinion that if he survived until noon, he might live several days.

Dr. Brooks reported Schotta as resting easy, but with a very serious wound.

Mr. Grief died shortly after 10 o'clock this morning. Everything possible was done for him, but to no avail. He was not conscious after the administration of an anesthetic.

Veal was released on a \$2,000 bond for malicious shooting after he surrendered, and upon learning of the death of Mr. Grief, went to the Palmer House and telephoned for Marshal Collins to come after him. The charge then against him was murder, which is not bailable.

Mr. Grief, the victim, was a son of J. V. Grief, and was an industrious and popular young man. He was never disagreeable except when drinking. He was about 30 years of age, and leaves a wife and one child.

A warrant was issued against Veal charging him with willful murder. He was given into the custody of the circuit court about noon, and an effort will be made to release him by a guard to accompany him wherever he goes.

The request was called for 2 o'clock this afternoon.

This afternoon young Schotta was reported as resting easy, with good chances of recovery in case pneumonia does not set in.

The inquest was this afternoon put off until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. This afternoon nothing had been done in regard to allowing Mr. Veal a guard. He was at the county court house, having been turned over to the circuit court by Judge Sanders, and will likely be given into the custody of the jailer.

The funeral of the late Mr. J. H. Grief will take place tomorrow afternoon from the residence of his father, Mr. J. V. Grief, corner of Sixth and Jackson streets, at 3 o'clock. Revs. Taylor, of the Second Presbyterian, and Johnston, of the Broadway M. E. church, officiating.

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"ON TO CUBA."

Funny Comedy With Field's Minstrels at Morton's Friday Night.

A stage picture representing a soldiers' camp in front of Santiago de Cuba; soldiers marching to strains of martial music; a negro cook who wants to fight the whole Spanish army; a jolly lot of boys bent on fun; a cook scared out of his senses; a couple of half-starved Cubans who want to cook the cook; a dog-house where the cook seeks shelter from the Spaniards; a big yellow dog that owns the dog-house and who has no hesitancy in claiming his property; a cook who loses his clothes trying to hold the fort, and he barely missed being killed for a dog and by a dog; after he fights General Blanco single-handed and is surrounded by Spaniards, dives into a cannon and is shot from its muzzle falling exhausted on the stage. All these things are seen in the funny comedy of "On to Cuba." Al G. Field never had a better vehicle to display his capabilities than this comedy sketch, and he makes the most of it. The movement of the soldiers through the tropical forests, with the officers mounted, make a realistic stage picture that would do credit to any stage production.

SIX BURNED.

Mr. F. H. Overbey, of Marshall County, the Victim of an Incendiary.

He Offers a Reward for the Conviction of the Miscreant.

Marshall Collins is in receipt of a letter from Mr. F. H. Overbey, of Overbey, Marshall county, 12 miles from Paducah on the N., C. & St. L. road, stating that he has had six houses burned in the vicinity of Overbey's mill within a few months past, the last one last week, and that he would like to have the incendiary apprehended. He offers a reward of \$25 for his arrest and conviction.

MEDICAL SOCIETY MEETS.

It Will Reorganize for the Winter Tonight.

The Paducah Medical and Surgical Society will meet tonight with Dr. J. Q. Taylor and reorganize for the winter. It has been suspended for the past few months.

SITUATION IN CRETE.

It May Involve Europe in a Tremendous War—The Turks Refuse to Withdraw Their Troops.

A Sketch of the European Situation Today—Many Causes That May Precipitate War Any Moment.

Constantinople, Sept. 14. The Turkish government has refused to withdraw her troops from the island of Crete, and blames England for all the trouble.

Candia, Island of Crete, Sept. 14.—It is believed that refusal of the Turks to withdraw according to the demand of the admirals made yesterday, will precipitate another bombardment, and that terrible bloodshed may occur today.

Candia, Island Crete, Sept. 14.—Rear Admiral Gerard Noel, commander of the British forces in Cretan waters, yesterday issued an ultimatum to Edhem Pasha, Turkish military governor at Crete, demanding that within forty-eight hours he deliver up the ringleaders of the recent outbreak and massacre, surrender fort and ramparts commanding the town and disarm the Mussulman troops.

MYSTERIOUS SUICIDE.

Louisville, Ky., Sept. 14.—Mrs. Lizzie Belle Weisser committed suicide this morning by taking laudanum. The cause of her action is unknown. She lived on Haldeman avenue and was of good family. Her husband was away from home.

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Best ten-cent whiskey in the city at Lagomarsino's.

GUESTS OF PADUCAH.

Gov. John R. Tanner and Party Were in the City Today—En Route to Golconda, to Open Fall Campaign.

There Were Six Prominent State Officials in the Crowd—Will Be Back Friday, En Route Home.

Paducah was today honored by a visit from some of the most prominent public men of Illinois. There arrived on the early morning train, from St. Louis, Governor John R. Tanner and party, of Springfield. They were met by local republicans, and were escorted to the Palmer house for breakfast, where they were served the best Mine Host Reed could find.

They afterwards met many of Paducah's most prominent citizens, while awaiting the boat to Golconda. The party was en route to Golconda, Ill., where Gov. Tanner tomorrow opens the congressional campaign at that place. The party will be in Golconda until Friday, when they will come back through Paducah en route to Springfield. Several of them will be guests of Secretary of State Rose, at his handsome home in Golconda, while there. They left on the packet today.

In the party were: Governor of Illinois John R. Tanner, Secretary of State James A. Rose, Auditor J. S. McCullough, Acting Gov. Treasurer F. K. Whittemore, Assistant Secretary of State H. Clannahan, of Springfield, Ill., and Col. Ed Taylor, of Chicago, a member of the state board of equalization.

Many gentlemen of the city met the distinguished guests, including Senator W. J. Deboe, the district republican committeemen, and local republicans of prominence. The governor, secretary of state and treasurer were driven about the city by Postmaster F. M. Fisher, and were well pleased with Paducah.

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AL E. YOUNG, Manager.
S. A. HILL, Circulator.
W. T. WETHERINGTON, Pressman.

The above was subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of August, 1898.

W. F. PAXTON, Notary Public.

My commission expires January 22, 1902.

STRANGE ACTION.

The board of education, by its action of last night, completed its series of spectacular and costly blunders, in refusing to allow Architect B. B. Davis to vindicate himself before the people. The board should go on record as the most prejudiced and reckless that ever sat in Paducah. It may have meant well, but it certainly has not done well; and the people can say what the little boy said when he was kicked by the mule, for it doesn't make much difference what the motives of the board are, the results are just as costly in any event.

Mr. Davis has been injured by the previous action of the board, and the latter could have vindicated him last night—but it didn't. Mr. Terrell made some very sensible remarks, but he did not once claim that the board had not made a serious and costly mistake in acting on what may be incompetent testimony in regard to alleged defects in the school building. It is conceded that the board has done all along what it thought was right, and for the best interests of the people, but it is equally as generally believed that the board has many times failed to use ordinary business prudence, and that none of the board would have handled their private business as the board has managed the people's business.

In regard to the new building, it is the general opinion that the board was foolish ever to decide on the erection of a building that could not be paid for with no delay even had the cost been according to the first estimate. The construction of the foundation at the cost of \$11,000, and allowing it to stand a whole year without any protection from the elements, was another action that was foolish in the extreme. The money should have been arranged for and the building put up at once, and not in sections a year or more apart.

The board has also authorized changes of small import, it is true, which it has forgotten in its unworthy effort to attach blame to an innocent man. The action of the board in appointing as superintendent of construction an unsuccessful bidder on both the foundation and the building, and a contractor instead of an architect, is the strangest of all the board's actions and shows that the board has not even an ordinary idea of the fitness of things. Not a man on the board would have done such an unheard of thing were he erecting a building. Had an architect been selected the present muddle, which has gained for the board a great deal of unenviable notoriety, and entailed an extra expense of \$557 on the taxpayers, would have been avoided.

As to the alleged crack in the foundation, which has occasioned all the controversy, it may exist, or it may not. Judging from the preponderance of expert testimony, it does not exist, and Architect Davis has affidavits from civil engineers who say that the foundation is sound, and that the alleged crack cannot be denied. The board took the evidence of a committee, however, the members of which do not know anything about practical building, and acted upon it. Their mistake was in taking proper to investigate the matter before ap-

propriating \$500 of the city's money, or the people's money, to remedy a defect, which it seems does not exist. The board no doubt did what it thought was right, but it failed to procure sufficient evidence to determine what was right. Its action reflected on the ability of the architect, and he came here to clear himself. His reputation cannot be affected so far as men who know him are concerned, but it was an injustice which might injure his business in other channels, and he came here like a man and offered to show the board that he was right, and that it was wrong, even tho' the board was backed by the unrivaled sagacity of its superintendent of construction. Even though it were admitted that the foundation was cracked, Mr. Davis could have shown that neither the superintendent nor the architect was responsible. The work was done properly according to the judgment of the board, when it received and paid for it, and if it was not right in reality, then the board is to blame, and ought to shoulder, instead of shifting, the consequences of its own actions. It is due the people as well as Mr. Davis that the blame be attached to the proper ones.

The public will never be satisfied with the abortive manner in which the affair was settled last night. If Mr. Katterjohn made a mistake in saying the foundation was cracked, and the board made a mistake in taking his word for it to the tune of a few hundred dollars, it ought to admit it, and act like men of honor and intelligence, and hasten to rectify it instead of covering it up. If in the right the board certainly could not have objected to the introduction of all the expert testimony that could be found in Kentucky or elsewhere. If there is nothing the matter with the building, as was offered to be proved to the board last night, it is nothing but a hardship on the people to make them needlessly pay \$557 dollars for repairs. In addition to the unnecessary cost, the tearing away of the foundation, no matter if it were an honest mistake of the board in ordering it, will endanger the stability of the building, and perhaps render it useless in a few years. The action of the board last night looks to the disinterested observer as if it realized it had made a serious mistake, but had not the courage to face an investigation. In such cases, involving the public welfare, as well as the expenditure of the public's money, men of public positions ought to "hew to the line, let the chips fall where they may," and nobody had any objection to this last night but the board of education.

THE SPOILS SYSTEM.

Granting that even a small part of the stories of mismanagement and incapacity at Chickamauga and some other of the military hospitals is true, we have in that part a most formidable argument in favor of civil service reform. If the stories be true that the sensational papers are telling, then the fault lies in the fact that incompetent men have been appointed to the medical, commissary and quartermaster departments. In support of the above theory comes the fact that in the regular army there was much less sickness and the men were generally better cared for. The statement made by Secretary Alger that if things were wrong it was because of incompetent officials whose duty it was to execute orders, and not the fault of the war department, is a statement that is strictly true and shows that Alger realizes the cause of the alleged mismanagement.

There has been no complaint from the navy. That department is officered solely by experienced men and no man in the whole service owes his selection or advancement to political preferences.

The spoils system in the army operates as the spoils system does anywhere else, only vastly worse. When appointments are made solely for political reasons, when campaign debts or pledges are paid at the expense of the national government, the presence of incompetent men is unable to be avoided.

Furthermore it is a fact that the evil effects of the spoils system upon the people benefiting apparently thereby, are extremely disastrous. It is a well known fact that nearly all of the factional quarrels that have injured the republican party in Kentucky have arisen over the distribution of offices. If there is one thing that modern politics demonstrates is that the spoils system must be eradicated.

LET US HAVE A FAIR.

The proposition of holding a fair here this fall is still "hanging fire." It is certainly to be regretted that the business men of this city cannot see so plain a situation as that the abandonment of the fair will be a detriment to Paducah. It is certainly not a credit to a city of nearly 25,000 people to let it be known abroad that its business men have not enterprise enough to hold an annual fair. But such will be the inference if the fair is abandoned, as now seems probable.

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CERULEAN SOLD.

Noted Resort Bought By Captain Goodwin For \$7,500.

The Cerulean Springs property, including the hotel, the famous sulphur springs and 132 acres of land, were sold at Cadiz yesterday by the master commissioner of Trigg county under a decree of court. The property was a portion of the estate of the late John W. Smith.

It was bought by Capt. Goodwin for \$7,500. The price is considered remarkably low for the valuable property. It is Capt. Goodwin's intention to make extensive improvements before next season.

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A letter was received by Major Scott at Gen. Sanger's headquarters yesterday requesting that a body of soldiers be sent to Nicholasville to assist in the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the town and Jessamine county. Major Scott has granted the request and referred the matter to the Third Kentucky. It is not decided as yet how many soldiers will be sent. The celebration takes place next Friday. The letter was written by Mr. M. B. Arnett, chairman of the Centennial committee.

Major Tucker informed a Herald reporter last evening that all the remaining regiments and everything and everybody not previously paid, will be paid today. This includes the Third Kentucky, the 160th Indiana, the Ninth Pennsylvania, and probably the Twelfth Minnesota.—Lexington Herald.

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BISMARCK'S CHARACTER.

His Qualities as an Individual and as a Statesman.

What shall we conclude as to Bismarck himself, asks William Roscoe Thayer in the September Atlantic. The magnitude of his work no man can dispute. In type, Bismarck belongs with the Charlemagnes, the Cromwells, the Napoleons; but, unlike them, he wrought to found no kingdom for himself; from first to last he was content to be the servant of the monarch whom he ruled. As a statesman he possessed in equal measure the qualities of lion and of fox, which Machiavelli long ago declared indispensable to a prince. He had no scruples. What benefited Prussia and his king was to him moral, lawful, desirable; to them he was inflexibly loyal; for them he would suffer popular odium or incur personal danger. But whoever opposed them was to him an enemy to be overcome by persuasion, craft or force. I discern in his conduct toward enemies no more regard for morality than in that of a Mohawk sachem toward his Huron foe. He might spare them, but from motives of policy; he might persecute them, not to gratify a thirst for cruelty, but because he deemed persecution the proper instrument in that case. His justification would be that it was right that Prussia and Germany should hold the first rank in Europe. The world, as he saw it, was a field in which nations maintain a pitiless struggle for existence, and the strongest survive; to make his nation the strongest was, he conceived, his highest duty. An army of puny-bodied saints might be beautiful to a pious imagination, but they would fare ill in an actual conflict with Pomeranian grenadiers.

Dynamic, therefore, and not moral, were Bismarck's ideals and his methods. Bismarck saw both definite goal and the road that led to it. He held that by blood and iron empires are welded, and that this stern means causes in the end less suffering than the indecisive compromises of the sentimentalists. Better, he would say, for 59 men to be directed by the hundredth man who knows than for them to be left a prey to their own chaotic, ignorant and intestine passions. Thus he is the latest representative of a type which flourished in the age when the modern ideal of popular government had not yet risen.

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CRAZE OF PSEUDO-SCIENCE.

The Present Remarkable Revival of Medieval Superstition.

From some strange reason, there has been a wonderful revival within the last decade of nearly every medieval superstition, under various guises, in the most enlightened centers of the world. The practitioners of this modern sorcery, instead of concealing, advertise their claims, and urge them on the community under pseudo-scientific names and jargons. Palmistry, astrology, sympathetic magic, the doctrine of signatures, hi-cro-therapeutics, and all the farrago of fifteenth-century thaumaturgy, flourish to-day in Boston and New York, in Paris and Chicago, to a degree surpassing anything known three centuries ago.

There is reason for this. Sorcery is science seen upside down. There is a confused groundwork of truth, a fallacious method of viewing facts, at the basis of these pseudo-sciences. Yet the truth and the facts exist, and these explain the success of the deceptions. They dazzle and dazzle minds not trained in sound reasoning; and how few are! The societies for "psychical research" and theosophic speculation begin with an acknowledged ignorance of the possible truth of ghost-seeing and of communion with the divine. The possible ground is seized by the charlatan as proved basis for his illusory edifice.

Superstitions are at core the same everywhere and at all times, because they are based on those desires and that ignorance which are and will ever be a part of man's nature. He is dimly aware of mighty, unmeasured forces in ceaseless activity around him, controlling his own destiny; the ominous and omnipresent portent of death meets him at every turn; dissatisfaction with his present condition, intense longing for a life and joy which he can never offer, goad him to seek a knowledge which weights and measures are impotent to accord him. Yet such restricted knowledge is all that science can supply. Therefore he turns to demon-

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Mr. Ben Crenshaw, of Marshall county, lost his tobacco crop a day or two ago. He had about 1200 sticks of the weed in the barn.

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JAMES M. LANE, Mayor.

PERSONALS.

Dr. C. H. Linn, of Eddyville in the city.

Mr. J. H. Hartley, of the county, is in the city.

Hon. John K. Hendrick has returned from Hickman.

Mr. James E. Robertson returned this morning from Louisville.

Mr. T. J. Stahl, of Pinhook, came from Marshall county this morning. Frank Sullivan left this morning to re-enter the blind asylum at Louisville.

Miss Louise Klinger and Mr. Fred Roth have returned from Cincinnati.

Misses Lizzie and Mary McCabe, after a visit to the Misses Mohan, leave tomorrow for home.

Attorney Max Hanberry has returned from Cadiz, to attend the meeting of the district committee. He returned today.

Mrs. W. H. Patterson and daughter, Miss Ella, returned this morning from Cincinnati, accompanied by Miss Florence Pell, formerly of the city, who is visiting here.

Misses Mary Berry and Nora West, of Memphis, who have been visiting Mrs. Wahl, on North Fourth, left this morning for Cor. Ky., on a visit to their uncle, Mr. Julius Wahl.

Mr. D. V. Frost, better known as Jack Frost, arrived in the city on the steamer Dick Fowler last night. He represents the H. L. Holliday Milling company of Cairo, and as a leader of his flour he presents the "Sylph" and "Cleopatra" grades of flour said to be some of the best in the United States.

The marriage of Mr. Andy Kuer to Miss Rosetta Snider took place this morning at 11 o'clock at the St. Francis De Sales church. It was set for 6 o'clock, but was deferred on account of the failure of the bride to get here on time. They are now at the New Richmond, and will probably leave this afternoon or tonight for a bridal tour.

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THE SCHOOLS.

Many Additions Made to the Enrollment.

The pupils are still coming in at the public schools, but Supt. McBroome is at present unable to determine the number of them. Today Mrs. Rieks, one of the teachers, is ill, and the substitute is in her place.

There is a demand for more seats at Jefferson building, and they were sent there today. All the rooms crowded will be relieved in a day or two, and Supt. McBroome expects to have everything running smoothly.

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CAPT. DAVIS LEAVES.

He Left This Afternoon For Lexington.

Capt. B. B. Davis this afternoon left for Lexington, having transacted his business here. When he arrives there, he will resume command of the company, and First Lieutenant Stewart and several privates from the company will arrive from camp on furloughs.

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CHURCH NOTICE.

There will be services tonight at the Broadway M. E. church. There was a splendid service this morning. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

LOW RATES TO ST. LOUIS.

On account of the St. Louis Fall Festivities the Illinois Central Railroad Company will on Tuesday, Sept. 13th and each succeeding Tuesday until Oct. 25th sell tickets to St. Louis and return at one and one third fare for the round trip, good for three days.

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LITTLE CYPRESS IMPROVING.

Mr. Ed Sargent, the postmaster at Little Cypress, was in the city today. He is building a store at Little Cypress, and predicts a bright future for that little town. He is confident that the L. C. railroad company will build a depot at that place in the near future.

CAPT. DAVIS TURNED DOWN.

The Board of Education Refuses to Allow Him to Introduce Proof—Lively Meeting of the Board.

Statements Made by Both Capt. Davis and Mr. Katterjohn—All But Two of the Board Were Present.

The board of education met last night in called session, with a large crowd in attendance. The members present were President Leake, Secretary Rose, Terrell, Brooks, Taylor, Smith, Reddick, Walston, Bauer and Ashbrook. Well and Allen were absent. Capt. Davis, Contractor F. W. Katterjohn, and several local contractors and a number of citizens were among the spectators.

President Leake called the board to order at 8 o'clock. He stated that the meeting was for the purpose of hearing a report from Architect B. B. Davis in regard to the new school building now in course of construction. He read a section from the rules and regulations, stating that a call for a meeting could be made upon request of three or more of the members. He saw no request had been made and this was the reason no meeting had been called before. He then read a call for a meeting signed by Trustees Reddick, Rose, Taylor and Terrell, upon request of Architect Davis.

On motion, Capt. Davis was granted the floor. He made a verbal statement. He said he was there in his own defense. He regretted it necessarily but was there nevertheless. He said he had been notified, not through the board, but through some of his friends, and had received clippings relative to the action of the building committee. He then took up the report, and said that there was no crack in the building. He analyzed the subject and explained away every detail that was mentioned in Mr. Katterjohn's report.

He said the committee certainly had not given the building a critical examination. That there was no crack, and the mortar had only fallen out in one place, which may have resulted from a freeze or jar. He said he had lived in Paducah for eight years and had designed many much larger buildings elsewhere, which had stood for as many as eighteen years, and nothing had ever been heard of any defect in them. He expected the school building to be a monument to his ability, and did not desire to see it ruined.

Mr. Katterjohn was requested to make a statement. He said he was superintendent of construction of the building, and had given bond to see that it was built according to plans and specifications. He stated he had discovered the defects, or alleged defects, and had mentioned them to Mr. Lassiter, who has been in Mr. Davis' office since the latter left.

Capt. Davis then asked to make a statement and was allowed. He said when he left Paducah he expected to be gone a year at least, and it was a question whether he would ever return or not. When he left, however, he surrendered his business, intending to resume it if he came back.

The point he desired to make was that Mr. Lassiter did not represent him, and that he had no representative here. Mr. Katterjohn then resumed his statement. He said he had simply reported the condition of things and had not attempted to place any blame on anyone. He had the plans to follow, and intended to follow them, unless otherwise ordered by the board. He had never said anything detrimental to Mr. Davis, he alleged. He had been charged in some of the papers, especially the Star, with not knowing anything about building but had reported the condition of things just as they were, and was ready to prove it. He had his report to the board relative to the building read, and said he desired to say nothing further.

Mr. Davis then replied by explaining thoroughly every detail of the plans. Mr. Katterjohn took issue with him in regard to a stairway, and they contradicted each other a time or two. Capt. Davis then said he was willing to submit the plans to competent judges. That he desired to do it and show who was right, and wanted to introduce experts.

President Leake then said he didn't think the board understood what Architect Davis and Mr. Katterjohn were driving at. That they had a superintendent, and did not know whether the board wanted to take the matter out of his hand or not.

Capt. Davis then said that the board owed it to him to hear his side. That the foundation was all right and he was able to prove it.

President Leake reminded Capt. Davis that the board had appointed a committee to investigate the alleged crack, and that it had decided to tear out a corner and go two feet or more lower if necessary. That the board had unanimously adopted the report of the committee.

Mr. Katterjohn said he would give \$100 towards getting an expert here to decide who was right, but wanted a man whom neither knew.

There was some other discussion relative to the subject, when Dr. Reddick moved, inasmuch as the committee appointed to investigate the crack were not practical builders, but some of them were "leg-sawers," therefore that expert evidence be introduced to determine the existence of the crack.

Mr. Terrell then made a statement to place the board in a proper light. He asked that the records be read. He said in regard to the crack, the board had simply acted as business men should have acted. That he board had acted on all the evidence there was before the board—the report of the committee, and ordered a defect, as they believed—remedied, as they should have done in discharging their obligation to the public as trustees. He explained further that Mr. Byrd, former chairman of the building committee, had not been let any contract by the board, as inferred from an article in the Visitor. That Mr. Byrd may have had a sub-contract under Mr. Hymarsh, but the board had nothing to do with that. He said the board should clear itself and place itself in the proper light before the public.

The action of the board in adopting the plans and specifications, and in investigating the alleged "crack" was read from the records. Mr. Terrell then said the board had taken every precaution in the erection of the building. He said Mr. Davis, under the original agreement, was to assist the superintendent, whoever he might be, in the construction of the building. He made a concise statement in regard to what the board had done—that it had decided to erect the building. That they had let the contract, secured bond, and elected a superintendent, required bond of him, and there its duty ended. What else could they do in the interest of the people? He did not claim no mistake had been made.

Dr. Reddick's motion to allow experts introduced was not seconded.

Capt. Smith moved to adjourn, but Mr. Davis asked to submit a written report, and Capt. Smith withdrew his motion to adjourn.

The report of Mr. Davis was then read and is found in another part of this issue.

The board then adjourned in a hurry without acting on the report in any way.

CLOSE CALL.

Young Men at Metropolis, Ill., Indulge in a Shooting Scrape.

H. W. Quante Was Shot, But Not Hurt—All of the Participants Fined.

There was a sensational shooting at Metropolis last evening. L. C. Courtney and H. W. Quante, sons of Judge J. C. Courtney and A. Quante, were at a saloon, when Courtney and George Kelley engaged in a quarrel. Kelley struck Courtney and Quante took it up. In the difficulty which followed, Kelley fired one shot at Quante, and the bullet cut through the skin on top of his head. It was a narrow escape, and all were fined in the police court this morning.

Hank Bros. & Jones have a beautiful line of wood and coal heating stoves.

NEWS OF THE RIVERS.

When Capt. Blair and the W. J. Young were in Burlington last Thursday the captain was arrested on information filed against him by a lady passenger, charging him with assault and battery in attempting to put her off the boat. Capt. Blair filed a similar suit and the woman decided to drop the case. As the captain had a sure thing and every one knew it, he allowed the matter to drop so as to cause no hard feeling.

Business in all branches seems to be unusually dull, not even excluding steamboating.

The Joe Fowler, from Evansville, has been detained by big way business. She will leave here this afternoon at 4:30 on her return to Evansville.

The Bob Dudley left for Nashville at noon today.

The John S. Hopkins, from Evansville, passed down this morning for Mound City, where she will be drawn out on the ways for thorough repairs.

The steamer Dunbar will leave for Evansville tomorrow at 10 a. m. She will represent the place of the Hopkins in the Evansville and Paducah trade.

The City of Sheffield is due out of Tennessee river for St. Louis.

The City of Paducah leaves St. Louis for Tennessee river tomorrow at 5 p. m.

Cairo, 15.1, falling.
Chattanooga, 5.3, falling.
Cincinnati, 8.3, falling.
Evansville, 5.7, rising.
Florence,
Johnsboro, 8, falling.
Louisville, 5.3, stationary.
Mt. Carmel, 2.1, falling.
Nashville, 4, falling.
Paducah, 8.5, falling.
Pittsburg, 5.5, falling.
St. Louis, 7.9, falling.

The Dick Fowler with her accustomed promptness cleared for Cairo on time this morning.

Wayne Turner promises a nice and new "write up" for the Paducah Progress, which comes out the latter part of this month.

The P. D. Staggs leaves at 5 p. m. today for Tennessee river, and received a big freight trip here, gathered from the wholesale merchants of the city.

Ed Pell and John Carroll, formerly of the steamer Mayflower, now have charge of the pilot house on the D. Staggs. They are a good team.

REFUSED TO REMAND.

Judge Barr Makes an Important Ruling.

Judge Barr, at Louisville, overruled the motion to remand the case of Mr. Mary Derrington against the N. C. & St. L. railroad for \$25,000 for the death of her husband. It was carried to the U. S. court, and effort made to have it remanded, which has proven unsuccessful.

REPUBLICANS MEET.

The First District Committee Decides to Make No Congressional Nomination.

Meeting Held at the Palmer House This Morning—Presided Over by Senator Deboe.

The republican committee of the First congressional district met this morning at the Palmer house and decided that no republican nomination for congress shall be made this fall in this district.

The meeting was called to order by Senator Deboe the district chairman at 11 a. m. The following committee members were present:

F. M. Fisher, McCracken, J. A. Miller, of Ballard, George Bury, of Hickman, T. F. Beadles, of Fulton, J. D. Seaberry, of Livingston, Neal Allison, of Graves, Ed Hubbard, of Caldwell, Max Hanberry, of Trigg, W. J. Deboe, of Crittenden and Wm. McCollum, of Lyon.

The meeting was held in executive session and none but members were allowed to be present.

Mr. Ed Hubbard was chosen acting secretary.

Senator Deboe stated the object of the meeting, which was to decide whether a nomination for congress should be made by the republicans of the First district, and if so to determine the manner and time of making the nomination.

Upon this subject speeches were made for or against making a nomination by Max Hanberry, George W. Bury, Senator Deboe, N. S. Allison, F. M. Fisher, Wm. McCollum and Ed Hubbard.

A vote was taken by the counties resulting in eight votes against a nomination and five votes for it.

The vote by counties was as follows:

Ballard, No.
Carlisle, Yes.
Caldwell, No.
Crittenden, No.
Fulton, No.
Graves, Yes.
Hickman, Yes.
Marshall, No.
McCracken, Yes.
Lyon, No.
Livingston, No.
Trigg, Yes.

After the announcement of the vote the committee adjourned.

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CIRCUIT COURT.

Abe Boyle, charged with breaking into the home of Robt. Coleman and stealing some quilts, was tried today and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary.

Lou Moss, colored, charged with perjury, was given a year. Robert Carson, who was charged with a similar offense in the same case, was given one year at the last term of court.

Will Moore, who set fire to Justice Bennett's grocery, was indicted for feloniously burning a storehouse. Chas. Dillard was indicted on another charge of petty larceny.

Franklin B. Kooniz, who was on trial yesterday, was given two years. Mr. Louis Friant was excused from the petty jury. The sheriff will report another one tomorrow.

Indictments were also returned against Houston, Cleve and Jamie Wilkerson, for malicious cutting, and Zeno Williams and Roy Vandyle, for house breaking and larceny, respectively.

The following cases were dismissed by the grand jury: Allen B. Youngblood, forgery, Will Hamilton, Lew Smith and Mrs. Charity, house breaking.

A decree of divorce was filed in the case of Florence Jeffords against John Jeffords.

Thomas Williams, colored, pleaded

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EUROPEAN SITUATION.

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out the French. Fashoda is 750 miles up the Nile from Khartoum and just as strategic a point as old Ft. Duquesne. English gunboats have already started up the river, ostensibly pursuing the Khalifa. Marchand's troops are practically all natives, well armed and under some French officers. They advanced up the Congo, and have now reached the Nile.

The world is anxiously awaiting the result of the inevitable meeting at Fashoda. Both it and the situation in Crete are fraught with the gravest danger.

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NEWS SUMMARY.

The War Department has ordered a court of inquiry into the killing of Spanish prisoners on the auxiliary cruiser Harvard by men of the Ninth Massachusetts or Thirty-fourth Michigan infantry. Capt. Cotton, of the Harvard, says there was no mutiny, but believes the shooting was due to a misunderstanding arising from the inability of the American guard to speak Spanish.

Maj. Gen. Brooke declares he is not responsible for the hospital conditions at Chickamauga. The location was not his selection. Gen. Brooke says when he left the camp, July 20, but 4 per cent. of the soldiers were sick.

The Promotion Board of the navy is opposed to the present plan of advancing men over the heads of others, and will recommend an act of Congress providing for medals of honor and 10 per cent. increases in pay.

Sickness is on the increase among the regiments doing garrison duty in the province of Santiago de Cuba. Though the Fifth infantry has lost five men by death and has 40 per cent. of its men on sick report, it has been ordered into Santiago for garrison duty, all the volunteers being sent to more healthful camping grounds.

The authorities at Buffalo refused to allow any boxing at the Hawthorne Club arena Monday night. Several boxers were to have fought as a test, in order to determine whether the big fight between McCoy and Corbett would be bettered with. It is highly probable that the big bout will not take place near Buffalo.

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